

# **BIOGRAPHY**

# **UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

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# **COLONEL JAMES F. MARTIN**

Colonel James F. Martin is the commander of the 354th Mission Support Group, 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson AFB, Alaska. The 354th Mission Support Group has seven squadrons, which provide combat-ready forces, equipment and essential services while sustaining base infrastructure and providing programs to improve quality of life for the 9,000-person Eielson community.

Colonel Martin was born and raised in Caruthersville, MS. He graduated from Caruthersville High School in 1981 and entered Mississippi State University on a four-year ROTC scholarship. Upon graduation in 1985, he entered active duty in January 1986.

Colonel Martin has held numerous financial management positions including Accounting and Finance Officer, Executive Officer, Air Staff Budget Analyst and Squadron Commander. Colonel Martin is married to the former Miss Teresa Hodge. They have two children, Joshua and Chelsea.



### **EDUCATON:**

- Bachelor of Professional Accountancy, Mississippi State University
- 1986 Accounting and Finance Officer's Course, Sheppard AFB, TX
- 1991 Squadron Officer's School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 1992 Financial Management Staff Officer's Course, Sheppard AFB, TX
- 1995 Masters in Management, Webster University
- 1997 Professional Military Comptroller School, Maxwell AFB, TX
- 1999 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2004 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL

#### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1986 1988, Deputy Accounting and Finance Officer, Lowry AFB, CO
- 1988 1990, Accounting and Finance Officer, Goodfellow AFB, TX
- 1990 1991, Chief, Accounting and Finance Branch, Howard AFB, Panama
- 1991 1993, Deputy Comptroller for Accounting and Finance, Lackland AFB, TX
- 1993 1994, Executive Officer, HQ Air Education and Training Command, Financial Management Directorate, Randolph AFB, TX
- 1994 1996, Commander, 47th Comptroller Flight, Laughlin AFB, TX
- 1996 1998, Chief, Depot Maintenance Business Area, Assistant Secretary for Financial Management, Budget Directorate, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- 1998 1999, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL

- 1999 2001, Commander, 31st Comptroller Squadron, Aviano AB, Italy
- 2001 2003, Chief, Operations and Maintenance Budget Branch, Director of Financial Management & Comptroller, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Hickam AFB, HI
- 2003 2004, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2004 2006, Chief, Financial Analysis Division, Directorate of Financial Management and Comptroller, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, CO
- 2006 Present, Commander, 354th Mission Support Group, Eielson AFB, AK

# **MAJOR AWARDS:**

- 1989 Air Education and Training Command Accounting and Finance Officer of the Year
- 1992 Air Education and Training Command Accounting and Finance Officer of the Year
- 1992 Air Force Accounting and Finance Officer of the Year
- 1995 Air Education and Training Command Comptroller of the Year
- 1996 Air Education and Training Command Comptroller Organization of the Year
- 1997 Air Force Runner-up, Outstanding Contribution to Financial Management
- 2000 United States Air Forces in Europe Outstanding Comptroller Organization of the Year

## **DECORATIONS:**

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster NATO Medal

# **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant
First Lieutenant
Captain
Major
Lieutenant Colonel
Colonel

Dec. 26, 1985
Dec. 26, 1987
Aug. 1, 1996
May 1, 2000
July 1, 2005

(Current as of 10 July 2006)